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FOLLOWING REPEAT ANKARA 3105 ACTION SECSTATE INFO USICA WASHDC
DATED APR 21:

QTE: UNCLAS ANKARA 3105

USICA FOR PGM/T, PGM/G AND EU

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SNAR, TU, US

SU: DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION MATERIALS FOR TURKEY

1. DURING CALL ON DOGAN UKIN, DIRGEN FOR INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS
OF TURKISH CUSTOMS, EMBOFF WAS INFORMED THAT AKIN'S SECTION
OF CUSTOMS HAS BEEN MADE RESPONSIBLE FOR COOPERATION WITH THE
TURKISH RADIO AND TELEVISION ORGANIZATION TO ACQUIRE DRUG ABUSE
EDUCATION MATERIALS AND CREATE A DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION PROGRAM
FOR TURKEY. AKIN SAID THAT WHILE ILLEGAL DRUG USE IS NOT YET A
SERIOUS PROBLEM IN TURKEY. THERE IS INCREASING ABUSE OF AMPHETAMINES,
ESPECAIALLY AMONG URBAN YOUTH. THE GOT WOULD LIKE TO ATTACK THIS
PROBLEM BEXORE IT GROWS WORSE, AND AKIN AYKED IF THE USG MIGHT
HAVE FILMS OR OTHER MATERIALS SUITABLE FOR A PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM

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HE SAID HE IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN COMMUNICATION THROUGH
TELEVISION WHICH REACHES A MAJOR PORTION OF TURKEY'S URBAN
YOUTH.

2. EMBOFF INFORMED AKIN THAT NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG
ABUSE (NIDA) IS FOCAL POINT OF USG EFFORTS TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF
INFORMATION DESIRED BY GOT AND SAID THAT HE WOULD REQUEST

ADVISE FROM WAYHINGTON ABOUT WHAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR DETERMINING IF THERE ARE MATERIALS, PARTICULARLY FILMS SUITABLE FOR TELEVISION, WHICH GOT MAY BE ABLE TO USE IN DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION PROGRAM. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE KNOWING WHAT KIND OF COOPERATIVE PROGRAM CAN BE ESTABLISHED IN DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION AREA.

4. FYI: DOGAN AKIN HAS INVITATION FROM US CUSTOMS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INC EXECUTIVE OBSERVATION PROGRAM TOGETHER WITH RECAI ERK, DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF TURISH CUSTOMS. THEY MAY BE IN WASHINGTON IN LATE MAY OR JUNE. IF BILATERAL COOPERATION IS POSSIBLE, IT SEEMS THAT THIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON WOULD PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR NIDA TO EXPLAIN TO AKIN AND ERK WHAT CAN BE DONE.

5. USICA ANKARA IS COOPERATING WITH EMBASSY IN THIS EFFORT. DILLON UNQUOTE. VANCE

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